

## New Elementary School Teachers Announced

At a special meeting of the Duxbury School Committee, the following persons were appointed to the teaching staff beginning in September 1950:

Royal Graves, Grade 6; Jean Richter, Grade 5; Dorothy Gerstle, Grade 4; Mildred Glass, Grade 1; Josephine Bush, Kindergarten and helping teacher.

Mr. Royal Graves is a graduate of the University of Maine. He has taken courses at the University of Michigan and Harvard, has had one year's practice teaching at Watertown, Mass., and during the past school year has been in Greenville, Maine. Besides his duties as sixth grade teacher, he will serve as administrative assistant in the elementary school.

Mrs. Jean Richter, who replaces Mr. Clayton A. Fris, is a graduate of Bridgewater Teachers' College and has had three years' experience in grades five through eight in Tappan, Maine.

Miss Dorothy Gerstle, who has been added to the staff because of the increased enrollment, has just received an A.B. degree from Pembroke College. For the past four years she has been doing camp work.

Mrs. Mildred Glass, who has been doing substitute work in the grade school for many years, will replace Miss Mildred Legner in grade one. Mrs. Glass has a three-year diploma from Bridgewater Teachers' College. Some years ago she had four years' experience at Needham.

Mrs. Josephine Bush, who will assist Miss Mott in the kindergarten and act as a helping teacher, holds an A.B. degree from the University of Washington, and a Master's Degree from Columbia. She has had 13 years' experience at Belmont, Cohasset, Brookline and Seattle.

Many think the Pilgrim Fathers were met by whooping-hordes of Indians, but there were few Redskins around at the time. A historian says that "some pestilence, whose nature no one has discovered, swept away all the ancient Americans of the Old Colony save a few and left their haunts open and comparatively safe for Europeans."

## SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS HERE SUNDAY

The Society of Mayflower Descendants will come to Duxbury Sunday, June 18, to visit certain historic shrines, in keeping with the custom inaugurated last January of honoring one signer of the Mayflower Compact each month. Myles Standish will be honored Sunday, according to Mrs. Arthur Tatt Chase, a Standish descendant who is Chairman of the Duxbury committee representing the Society of Mayflower Descendants, and who is also a member of the Society.

After convening at Hall's Corner at three o'clock, the Society members will visit the site of the Myles Standish house, the Monument and the grave. They will also visit the Alexander Standish house, the Elder Brewster House (recently acquired by the Duxbury Rural and Historical Society), and the site of the Governor William Bradford house in Kingston. The last place to be visited will be the Major John Bradford house (John Bradford was the eldest son of the Governor), where tea will be served by members of the Bradford House Council.

Tentative plans are being made for the Mayflower Group to return in August for a reunion of the Alden kindred at the Alden House.

## DUXBURY'S SAVING BOND QUOTA IS \$1675

Mr. Curt Gosnell, chairman of the Duxbury Bond Drive, announces that Duxbury's quota in the current INDEPENDENCE U. S. Savings Bond Drive is \$1675.

"While this is not a very large amount," he says, "Duxbury's record is one of going far above the quota. Therefore, if we are to maintain our record, we should buy about twice this amount of Series E Bonds. In purchasing U. S. Savings Bonds through the banks, please don't forget to ask that credit be given to Duxbury."

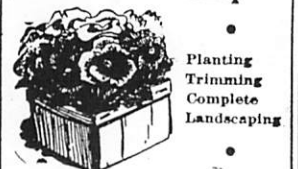
Harvard's Professor Edward Channing said the Pilgrims lived an "amphibious" life. He meant they lived near the sea—usually within three miles of the ocean.

Some historians say lobsters weighing 25 pounds and clams more than a foot long were once common in this vicinity.

**A REMINDER:**  
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## GALA PROGRAM PLANNED FOR FOUR-DAY DUXBURY DAYS CELEBRATION

One of the most ambitious programs ever arranged by the Duxbury Days General Committee will be launched this year on Saturday, July 1, with a helicopter exhibition over Train Field, according to Raymond Chandler, who is 1950 Chairman of the General Committee. The exhibition will begin at 7:00 p.m., and will be immediately followed by a street dance featuring Joe Pioppi's popular orchestra. There will be dancing at Train Field until 12:00 p.m.

Highlights of the Sunday (July 2) program will be a Pet Show under the supervision of James Millar and a Doll Carriage Parade, which will be directed by Ruth Gallagher. These two features, which are expected to draw a large crowd, will last from 2:30 until 5:00 p.m. And don't miss the terrific Amateur Show that is scheduled for 8:00 p.m. The laughs are guaranteed!

The fun and frivolity begins on Monday, July 3, with a sports program at Train Field from 2:00 until 5:00 p.m. The Duxbury Players have a hilarious skit scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m., and end half an hour later if there aren't too many encores. Then, after a two-hour concert by the Plymouth American Legion Band beginning at 10:00 p.m., the traditional Fourth of July bonfire will be lighted at midnight.

And as usual, there will be the mammoth, super-colossal, whirling Duxbury Days Parade on the Fourth. It starts at Hall's Corner promptly at 2:00 p.m. Get going on those Horribles and Floats, sisters and brethren. Mel Sinnott (Horribles) and Arthur Beane (Floats) will give you all the help you need, including suggestions if you are shy on ideas.

From 7:30 until 8:00 p.m., those versatile Duxbury Players will, under the direction of that scintillating and very clever maestro, Al Moritz, wow you with a second side-splitting skit. At 8:30 p.m. the Plymouth American Legion Band will lift your spirits with another two-hour concert, and the four-day program will draw to a close with a beautiful half-hour fireworks display starting at 10:30 p.m. Don't leave Train Field before eleven o'clock, for at that time there will be a drawing for the 1950 Ford. For all you know, you may be the one to drive home in it!

## NEWS FROM THE SELECTMEN

Mr. Edward T. McNulty has been named a member of the special police. He will patrol the beach at the east end of the bridge this summer.

Building permits for house modifications have been issued to Warren C. Jaycox, Frank R. Metcalf and Arthur C. Walworth.

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## GARDENS AND THINGS

"After a slow start," Deborah Nelson writes, "things are bustin' out all over. The lilacs and beach plums barely reached full bloom before the rain and heat finished them. Spring came and went almost unnoticed, and don't be fooled because summer is here. By the time this appears you may have to put aside your bathing suit and start a fire in the hearth."

"Marigolds can be put in any time and practically anywhere. They behave like weeds and look like flowers but what, after all, are weeds but unclassified flowers? If this summer is as hot and dry as last year, you'll appreciate their gay blossoms when other flowers are withering. Zinnias also withstand the heat well, but they favor better soil."

"Before planting nasturtiums, soak them overnight in water and they will germinate sooner. I can almost guarantee germination of every seed if they are soaked. Morning glories should also be soaked."

"Have you tried pelletized seeds? They come covered with an inert matter mixed with plant food, and are much easier to handle, being that much larger. These seeds give gratifying results. I just planted pelletized morning glories, larkspur, and phlox, and expect wonders."

"I know someone in Town whose lawn is so long one end has grown up again by the time the other end is cut. Your editor has been so overworked, by the way, his lawn is beginning to look like a meadow. I spotted him mowing his lawn in the starlight once last week. Maybe we better have a lawn-clipping bee of satisfied Clipper readers, and better bring your scythe."

Betty Oldham, who masquerades as Helpful Harriet, has an answer for some of Mrs. Clara Spalding's queries. Here are some herbs that are easily grown, she says:

1. Sweet Basil. It has a slight sweet flavor of clove. It's tender and should not be started until it gets really warm.

2. Chives. A perennial with a mild onion flavor. For best results divide every second or third year.

3. Thyme. A shrubby perennial, or you may prefer the creeping kind. Latter is most attractive when planted around a flagstone walk. The fragrance is lovely when thyme is accidentally stepped on!

4. Marjoram. A perennial with dainty pinkish lavender flowers. Seeds are tiny and are best sown in a flat.

5. Parsley. A biennial. For best results, soak the seed overnight in warm water as it is slow to germinate.

6. Rosemary. A hardy sub-shrub or a low-growing variety. I've never been able to save the low-growing kind thru winter.

7. Dill. An annual or biennial. It is grown for its bitter seeds which are used in pickles.

8. Mint. A perennial used in jellies, salads and meat dishes. Oh yes, juleps, too. There are many varieties and flavors, but the best all around (and I MEAN all around, for it will run over garden and lawn if not carefully watched!) is the old-fashioned apple mint.

9. Borecole. A hardy perennial with a faint cucumber taste.

10. Summer Savory. An annual used in stuffings and soups."

## "SEE HOW THEY RUN" OPENS JUNE 20

The Duxbury Playhouse opens its fifth and most ambitious season on Tuesday, June 20, at their theatre on Loring and Bay Roads. The first presentation is the highly successful London comedy hit, SEE HOW THEY RUN. Playing the nights of June 20 thru June 24, with Saturday matinees; this is the first time SEE HOW THEY RUN has been done by any summer stock company in this country.

Al Moritz, founder of the playhouse, is back again as managing director. Patrick Welch, Joan Fields, and Ken Brooks of last year's company are also playing return engagements. The signing of 21 professionals moves the Playhouse into the recognizable position of the largest and finest resident company operating in the South Shore and Cape Cod area. A look at the scheduled plays is exciting. The twelve week season will see the try-out of two new shows. One, OFFICERS ARE GENTLEMEN, is written by the Theatre Guild's promising young playwright, Davis Snow, a resident of Cohasset. The play deals with the activities of American servicemen in Australia during the last war. The other new show is OPEN, SEASON, a musical comedy dealing with controversies that arise between summer and year-round residents of a small New England resort town. It is written by Alvah and Allison Sulloway. Four musicals are planned for the summer, including OH, SUSANNA, dealing with the life and music of Stephen Foster; THE MERRY WIDOW by Franz Lehár, and the closing presentation, ON THE TOWN. This last show will be the most elaborate production ever attempted by the Duxbury Players. It will make full use of the 40x50-ft. revolving stage. The stress this summer, as in the past, will be on musicals and light comedies.

The date has not been set yet for the opening presentation of the DUXBURY PLAYHOUSE Children's Theatre. Plays contemplated include THE GOLDEN BALL, THE SEVEN LEAGUE BOOTS and MANY MOONS. An interesting feature of the Children's Theatre will be its central, or arena staging. In this type of presentation the audience encloses the acting platform on all sides. In this way closer contact with the actors and story are available.

An open house was held on June 11 at the Playhouse by the subscription committee for the purpose of greeting old friends and new supporters of the theatre. Address inquiries regarding subscription rates to Mrs. Francis C. Rogerson, Treas. Subscription Committee, Duxbury Playhouse.

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